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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Intelligence)  
SUBJECT: Offshore Island Situation

General

Mao Tse-tung, in one of his rare public appearances, stated on 14 February that "if the imperialists start a war of aggression, we, together with the people of the whole world, will certainly wipe them out clean from the surface of the globe!" Several Chinese Communist statements on the fifth anniversary of Sino-Soviet treaty signing have by implication drawn attention to the treaty provision for mutual support in the event of "aggression" by Japan or any ally of Japan's. Soviet statements have assured Peiping of Soviet support in general terms.

Military activity in the offshore islands area has continued at a low level.

Matsus

Negative.

Quemoy

According to Chinese Nationalist officials, there are now 503 Chinese Communist artillery positions facing the Quemoy. the Chinese Communists have been building up their artillery strength in this area. Increased artillery attacks against the Quemoy can be expected.

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